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From: Dermer, Michele

Sent: Wed 7/23/2014 5:41:21 PM

Subject: RE: CA UIC Questions - Updated 7/21

Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process

From: Albright, David

Sent: Wednesday, July 23, 2014 9:47 AM

To: Johnson, AudreyL; Montgomery, Michael; Dermer, Michael

Cc: Diamond, Jane

Subject: RE: CA UIC Questions - Updated 7/21

I've taken an initial cut at answering these questions. Please feel free to comment. Thanks, David

From: Johnson, AudreyL

Sent: Monday, July 21, 2014 3:56 PM

To: Montgomery, Michael; Dermer, Michele; Albright, David

Cc: Diamond, Jane

Subject: CA UIC Questions - Updated 7/21

Hello,

I've been in meetings all day and have just now had the ability to sit down and make the changes to the questions that we discussed this morning. Please feel free to add or revise if I didn't capture the notes correctly.

- 1. How frequently does EPA review the State UIC program? At what level does that review cover?
- 2. Why wasn't there any immediate action taken on the wells discovered in the 2012 review?
- 3. What is being done to determine the safety of ground water in the areas the State is

reviewing?

- 4. What analysis is done to verify State aquifer exemptions when the State requests an exemption?
- 5. Why wouldn't any injection well, injecting into a nonexempt aquifer be closed down immediately?

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